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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Application No.: 10/828,744      Examiner: Huong Q. PHAM  
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First Inventor: Tracy E. Grim, et al.      Customer No.: 23364  
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For: SPLINT OR SUPPORT WITH QUICK LOCATION TECHNIQUE

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION  
OF FEBRUARY 20, 2008

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office action mailed February 20, 2008 in the above application. In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

A petition to extend the period for reply by one month is concurrently filed.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.